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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR SUPERINTENDENT

Every morning I read out of a Daily Reflection book by Stephen Covey. Mr. Covey has written on a variety of subjects but one of his noted works was the "7 Habits of Highly Effective People." Frequently he talks about shifting paradigms. What is a paradigm? It is a pattern, an example a model; well to me and us we are certainly on a path to shift some of our patterns, and our model. I would like to share with you that at the Christmas Dinner you will receive a gift, that emphasizes that shift... our Motto which will use the letters in RSH as the outline for easy remembrance.

R= Recovery
S= Strength
H= Hope

I would like to congratulate Dr. Toni Gesler for suggesting this at the last quarterly supervisory meeting.

There is no better time than now for



us to begin our cultural shift than the holiday season.

I hope we can enjoy each other and this

precious time together, be thankful, and to be supportive of those who are struggling.

When each year comes to an end, I think how fast it has gone and how much has happened and how stressful sometimes life can be. I truly believe that despite our minor disagreements and frustrations with each other that I am truly fortunate to work with such truly caring and compassionate employees. I hope that you can enjoy this season and your friends and families.

Thank you so much,
Jeff



Special point of interest:

- *NAMI Christmas Dinner*
- *Christmas Bazaar*
- *Unit Parties*
- *Christmas & Employee Recognition Dinner*

ADOPT-A-PATIENT PROGRAM

The patients were very much blessed with a lot of generosity from many different individuals, groups, and businesses this holiday

season. All these caring people made the Christmas elves' jobs a whole lot easier this year with their contributions. All of the

wonderful folks will be listed in the next issue of the STAR. Thanks to all for your support as always.



THE RSH TEAM HITS A HOME RUN AGAIN!

Congratulations to the RSH Team on a job well done! Over 400 guests were served at the annual NAMI Christmas Dinner in the CTC gym. NAMI Christmas Dinner guests included Richmond's Mayor, Sally Hutton, Residents and Staff of Dunn' Center's Group Homes, RSH Patients and Staff, as well as many people from the Richmond community. Entertainment was presented by Larry and Janie Nichols. One NAMI member made 550 brownies, 33 pounds of fudge, 40 pumpkin rolls, as well as bringing 42 pies, and much, much more. That's just one of NAMI's members!! A large amount of food was shared with folks at Hope House.

This event is a sight to behold. NAMI member Betty Mark said, "NAMI could not

do this without the help of Richmond State Hospital," and anyone who was there knows Betty's words are so true.

We have a great team at Richmond State Hospital. So very much may be accomplished when we join hands with a group like NAMI and with those hands reach out to others.



Thank you from RSH Community Relations Department. We wish everyone at RSH a very Merry Christmas!



FROM THE STAR STAFF

We would like to wish you the best of holidays and all you hope for in the new year to come.

Tara Jamison, Donna Crist, and Mary Clark

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The ATS Christmas Bazaar was a huge success. We made over \$700 which was deposited in the recreation fund. Thanks to the many shoppers who, hopefully, found a little Christmas cheer in the items at the Bazaar. A special thanks to

all the ATS staff who worked with the patients in making the items for the Bazaar. A particular thanks to Linda Gregory for all the behind the scenes work that you did setting things up, getting



workers, depositing money, etc. We can always count on you with our special events.



UNIT PARTIES

On Sunday, December 14th, the units were filled with Christmas Cheer by many service organizations, churches, and agencies. Each group put on a wonderful party complete with entertainment, refreshments and lots of good cheer. On behalf of the patients and staff at Richmond State Hospital, we want to express our deepest gratitude to the following groups: First Presbyterian Church, RSH Leadership, Centerville Pentecostal Tabernacle, Golden "K" Kiwanis, Richmond Baptist Church, Noon Kiwanis, Randolph County MHA, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and First Chris-

tian Church Women's Fellowship. The Whitewater Valley Harley Davidson Motorcycle Club hosted a party for the Youth Services patients on Saturday evening, December 13.

A special thanks Goes to Frank Waltermann for being Santa Claus at the unit parties Sunday.

A special thank you goes to Dietary for the wonderful brunch provided for our volunteer groups. They always know how to welcome our valuable guests!

For all the staff and volunteers who helped in any way...**THANK YOU!**



CHRISTMAS & EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION DINNER

WHEN: December 18 in the CTC Gym

TIMES: 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
9:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Employee Recognition ~ Noon

BRING ANYTHING: Yes, we're canning the Superintendent, so don't forget to bring your canned goods for the food pantry!! Also, if any one would like to donate deserts, they would be greatly appreciated.



We will be holding our employee recognition ceremonies during our annual Christmas dinner. The recognition will be at noon during the early meal. For those employees being recognized, you may invite family members or come if you'd like.

